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From: Voytilla, Marykay
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 9:01 AM
To: R10-Park Place Remodel
Subject: FW: Mildew smell on 8th floor

From: Voytilla, Marykay
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 8:50 AM
To: Carvalho, Gabriela; R10-SERVICE CENTER Mail Group
Cc: Hendrickson, Andrew; Allamano, Jonell; mary.senn@gsa.gov
Subject: Mildew smell on 8th floor

Hello Gabriela, the water leak was actually on the SE side of the building, so I don't think the issues are related. I'm forwarding your concern to the PERC. The PERC will alert the building management so that they can look into the issue. You may be contacted by someone from Washington Holdings if they need to get more info from you.

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From: Carvalho, Gabriela
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 8:40 AM
To: Voytilla, Marykay
Subject: RE: Update as of 8/18/14: Water leak on Floor 15

Hi Mary Kay,

Thanks for these updates. We have a mildew smell on the NE corner of the 8th floor. I assume that it is a result of the water leak. I just thought I'd let you know in case it is something else.

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From: Voytilla, Marykay
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2014 4:56 PM
Subject: Update as of 8/18/14: Water leak on Floor 15

Below is an update regarding the water leak that occurred last Thursday on the 15th floor and the resulting recovery efforts.

Over the weekend, Polygon, a commercial water restoration company hired by Washington Holdings, worked on the 15th, 14th and other floors to quickly dry-up residual water in carpeting, drywall, and ceilings. They performed a variety of functions including: conducting moisture mapping and readings; removing molding, drilling holes, and forcing air into wall interiors; installing high efficiency blowers; applying an antimicrobial; and ventilating above the ceilings. Today, an Industrial Hygienist from GSA inspected the work and took independent moisture readings. While some recovery efforts will continue, the overall effort has been successful to quickly dry building materials thus reducing the chance for mold growth. Here are some ongoing efforts that you may see this week:

- OAWT staff will move to the 15th floor tomorrow
- Some fans and dehumidifiers may continue to run a while longer (overnight and during the day) on the 14th and 15th floors in closed rooms and in the open office areas if necessary.
- Carpet on 14 and 15 will be assessed and tiles replaced where the adhesive may be compromised
- Floor molding will be re-applied to the walls
- Ceiling tiles will be replaced this week on the 15th floor
- The men's restrooms on floors 7 – 15 may remain closed a few more days for additional venting
- Air sampling will occur this week
- Carpets on 14 and 15 will be cleaned
- The building HVAC system will be run overnight until the recovery effort is complete

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From: Voytilla, Marykay

Sent: Friday, August 15, 2014 5:37 PM

Subject: Update: Water leak on Floor 15

This message sent to Seattle office employees.

This is an update to Tim Hamlin's message below regarding a water leak on the 15th floor. Late in the day on Thursday, August 14 a pipe burst in the sink in the men's restroom on the 15th floor. This occurred while a fixture was being replaced. That incident resulted in some flooding

in the SE corner of the 15th floor, in the same area on the 14th floor, and some associated dampness in a few areas on some additional floors. Washington Holdings responded overnight on the 14th and 15th floors to remove water from carpeting, install blowers, and remove ceiling tiles to investigate and dry out impacted areas. In addition, a professional water restoration company was brought on board by Washington Holdings today in order to ensure a rapid and complete recovery. Recovery work is expected to be ongoing throughout the weekend.

A special thanks goes out to the OEA staff who were working on the 14th floor today as restoration work was ongoing. Your cooperation was greatly appreciated. We are so sorry for this inconvenience.

As a result of this incident, we have delayed the move of OAWT staff to their new home on the 15th floor by one day, until Tuesday, August 19. While we regret this delay and the associated inconvenience, it will ensure a safe working environment when the new floor is occupied.

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From: Hamlin, Tim
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2014 5:16 PM
Subject: Water leak on Floor 15

This message sent to Seattle office employees.

Hello everyone,

Earlier this afternoon, we experienced a significant water leak on the 15th floor, where staff from OAWT were in the process of moving onto the floor. In addition, staff in the Office of Environmental Assessment were also affected by the large volume of water that migrated to a large portion of the southeast section of the 14th Floor. In addition to the water/moisture issues affecting primarily floors 15 and 14, there is a disruption of some water service on other floors.

Building management has stopped the leak and has begun addressing its impacts. We do not know at the moment how quickly the service interruption will continue, but expect that service will be restored within hours. We expect to provide additional information tomorrow.

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